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Applicant notes that the enclosed reference EP 0905637 is not in the English language.

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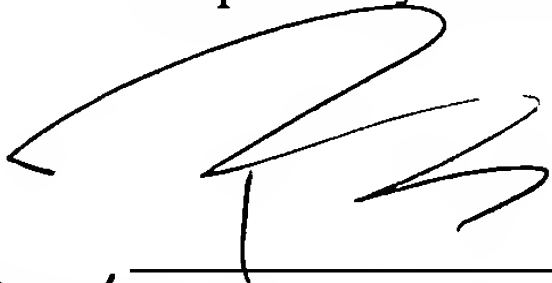
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